

Augusta Independent Board of Education
March 9th, 2023 6:00 PM
207 Bracken Street
Augusta, KY

Attendance Taken at: 6:00 PM

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Bach
Mrs. Dionne Laycock
Mr. Shawn Hennessey
Mrs. Julie Moore
Ms. Chasity Saunders

1. Call to Order

Rationale:

Happy Birthday Board Team!

Laura Bach, March 7th
Robin Kelsch, March 11th
Dionne Laycock, March 22nd
Lisa McCane, March 27th

1.1. Roll Call

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Mission Statement

Rationale:

The mission of Augusta Independent School is to ensure all students achieve high levels of learning in a nurturing climate, empowering them to be responsible and productive citizens of a global community.

1.4. Approval of Agenda

Order #23-930 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

2. Student/School Board Recognition

Rationale:

Congratulations Academic and Athletic Achievers!

Kindergarten i-Ready Scores: Katelynn Blevins, Mason Carpenter, Sydnee Feagan, Hunter Hurst, Morgan Lathem, Nova Scott, Thea Sizemore, and Keyton Steele.

All District Cheerleaders: Mikinlee Waddell & Izzy Schweitzer

All Region Cheerleaders: Aubrie Brooks & Izzy Schweitzer

AARP Grandparent of the Year Essay Contest District Winner: Will Hildebrand

Jim Claypool Conservation Art Contest School Winners: Lexi Hafer, Will Hildebrand, and Abby Lathem.

2.1. *Break

3. Communications

3.1. Principal's Report/Student Achievement

Rational:

Principal Robin Kelsch reported the Senior Trip to Orlando, Florida is March 28-31 and 12-13 seniors will be going on the trip with four chaperones. Principal Kelsch also updated the

board State Testing is May 8-12, the District was awarded the TENCO Youth Employment Program Grant, and 100% of the seniors are on target to graduate in May.

3.2. Superintendent's Report

Rationale:

Superintendent Lisa McCane reported the Augusta Independent Educational Foundation, Inc. is in the process of planning annual signature fundraisers to pay for the online instructional i-Ready program for the school. Superintendent McCane also reported on the district's GEAR-UP Program, the selection of the Practical Assessment Exploration System as part of the two year, \$150,000 grant to support middle and high school special needs students with postsecondary transition goals, Legislative updates on HB448, HB319, and HB50, and plans for the district to host the 9th and 10th Region Hardwood Classic on February 03, 2024.

3.3. Personnel

Rationale:

Craig Miller - Co-Head Baseball Coach

Adam Young - Assistant Baseball Coach

Noah Loock - Emergency Non-Certified Substitute Teacher

3.4. Attendance/Enrollment

Rationale:

February 2023

Enrollment

P-12: 320

K-12: 300

Virtual: 8

Attendance

February: 92.77%

YTD: 92.56%

3.5. Citizens

3.6. Board Members

4. Business Action/Discussion Items

4.1. New Gymnasium Project and Budget Amendments Discussion

Rationale:

- Craig Aossey, G. Scott & Associates Architect and Ridge Bentley, Trace Creek Construction Project Manager presented updates to the board. Trace Creek Construction cost estimate for the new gym was significantly higher than anticipated due to supply and demand of materials and labor shortages. The estimate two years ago was \$5.2M, and currently \$8.6M. The new gym project will be postponed in anticipation legislation is passed during the 2024 budget session to provide gap funding to 22 school districts with capital construction projects underway that are now underfunded.
- The district will move forward with preliminary project work with an early bid-package to expend \$670,000 in ESSER funds that must be spent by December 2024. The scope of the first phase will include a new boiler in a CONEX, and demolition of the boiler building, if ESSER funds are available. Other preliminary work planned for completion; relocation of the wiring infrastructure hub scheduled for KEDC to begin May 30, and relocation of the underground utilities by City of Augusta.
- A revised BG-1 for the scope and funding will be required and presented at the April board meeting. Craig Aossey, G. Scott & Associates Architect and Ridge Bentley, Trace Creek Construction Project Manager stated the district will not be invoiced for architect or construction management services completed so far until bond sales. The revised BG-1 will include fees proportionate to ESSER funding and the scope of the early bid-package work.

4.2. Approve Monthly Facilities Report

Rationale:

February Maintenance:

- Repaired closet door lock in basement boys' restroom
- Repaired hallway gate

- Repaired gym heat
- Changed fitness center lock
- Purchased cafeteria stove/oven
- Repairs for 054 and 001

Upcoming project: Per the recommendation of the State School Safety Marshall, Fred Scroggins and requirements of SB1(School Safety Bill), T-N-T Cabling Solutions will relocate existing Ai-phone Intercom System to the Front Entry Door. T-N-T Cabling Solutions will work with Dave's Locksmith to install a Push Bar Electric latch retraction for Front Door. The project is scheduled to be completed in March, and the estimated cost is \$2,295.00.

Order #23-931 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Facilities Report passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

4.3. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

February 2023 Budget Report

General Fund

Revenue receipts through February totaled nearly \$1,510,000.

Local Revenue: \$282,000 was received in property tax collections. \$122,000 has been received in PSC taxes. \$90,000 has been collected in utilities tax, while nearly \$22,000 was received in motor vehicle taxes. \$6,200 was received for reimbursement of expenses, while \$4,300 was received in refunds of prior year expenditures. \$3,300 was received for delinquent property taxes. \$2,000 was received for transportation reimbursement.

State Revenue: \$962,000 was received in SEEK funding. \$4,400 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

Federal Revenue: \$11,600 was received for Medicaid reimbursement.

Expenditures through February totaled \$1,284,000.

School Budget: The school budget is \$27,413. \$15,400 was expended through February, with another \$1,400 obligated. Expenses included \$4,600 on copier fees, \$4,200 for technology resources, \$3,800 on general supplies, \$1,000 on dues and fees, \$700 on travel, and \$600 on instructional resources.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled \$206,000 through February. Expenses included \$68,000 on utility services, \$54,000 on salaries and benefits, \$44,000 on property insurance, \$22,000 on general supplies, \$11,000 on repairs and maintenance, \$5,800 on professional services, and \$600 machinery. 62% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

Transportation Budget: Through February, costs totaled \$86,000. Salaries and benefits accounted for \$30,000. \$17,000 has been expended on repair parts and tires. Nearly \$14,000 has been spent on diesel fuel/gasoline, while \$11,000 has been spent on vehicles (Suburban payment). Annual fleet insurance was \$6,300. \$6,700 has been spent on vehicle repair. Professional services/drug testing accounted for \$1,100. 69% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

For the general fund, year-to-date receipts exceeded expenditures by \$225,000.

Special Revenue Fund

Nothing to report.

Food Service Fund

Revenue: \$9,000 was received in local revenue. \$153,000 was received for federal reimbursement. Food service started with a balance of \$89,000.

Expenditures: Expenses totaled \$165,000 through February including \$77,000 on food supplies, \$76,000 on salaries and benefits, \$4,200 on machinery, \$2,400 on equipment repair, \$1,800 on fixtures, \$1,500 on dues and fees, and \$900 on technology supplies.

The food service balance as of February 28 was approximately \$86,000.

Order #23-932 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Budget Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Moore and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

4.4. Approve the Council for Better Education HB9 Litigation Board of Education Resolution

Rationale:

CBE HB9 Litigation Resolution

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Augusta Board of Education authorizes Superintendent Lisa McCane to take all necessary steps to support the Council for Better Education, Inc. ("CBE"), in its legal challenge to the unconstitutionality of House Bill 9, and the payment of any appropriate dues or assessments related to this school district's membership in CBE or its support of the referenced legal challenge.

- The CBE Invoice is based on 2018-19 ADA and is assessed at \$1 per ADA. The 2018-19 ADA is our last, best number and is the exact measure used for the HB 563 (voucher) litigation. Augusta Independent's portion is \$261.38. See attached invoice.

Order #23-933 - Motion Passed: Approve the Council for Better Education HB9 Litigation on Board of Education Resolution passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

4.5. Approve Amended 2022-2023 Extra Duty Salary Schedule

Rationale:

The amended extra duty salary schedule adds a stipend of \$1,500 for a Co-Head Baseball Coach to the extra duty salary schedule.

Order #23-934 - Motion Passed: Approve Amended 2022-2023 Extra Duty Salary Schedule passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

4.6. Approve Authorization to Operate Youth Employment Program

Rationale:

Superintendent McCane informed the board the TENCO Workforce Development Board has awarded the district a Youth Employment Program Grant in the amount of \$78,743.89. The program will operate for 8-weeks during the summer.

She stated the grant will provide employment preparation, work experience, career exploration post-secondary guidance and follow-up services to assist in-school and out-of-school youth ages 17-24.

Superintendent McCane requested Augusta Independent Board of Education authorize the district to act as the fiscal agent and operator of the program. All funding is provided through the TENCO Workforce Development Board.

Order #23-935 - Motion Passed: Approve Authorization to Operate Youth Employment Program passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

5. Business Consent Items

Order #23-936 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Business and Consent items as presented passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

- 5.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
- 5.2. Approve Fundraisers
- 5.3. Approve Acceptance of Donation
- 5.4. Approve Bills
- 5.5. Approve Treasurer's Report
6. Approve Adjournment

Rationale:

March 12th: Daylight Saving Time Begins (Spring forward 1-hour)
March 17th: No School - PD Day
March 23rd: Breakfast Club 9 A.M.
March 28th-31st: Senior Trip
April 3rd-7th: No School - Spring Break
April 13th: Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.
April 27th: Breakfast Club 9 A.M.
May 8th: Board Meeting 6 P.M.

Order #23-937 - Motion Passed: Approve Adjournment passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes



Laura Bach, Chairperson



Lisa McCane, Superintendent